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73cm Simplex  
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herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official  
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Date: 2 Sep 94 09:18:15  
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!  
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Subject: 2M vs 70 cm  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <343151\$5ul@news.cc.oberlin.edu> pruth@ocvaxa.cc.oberlin.edu writes:

I'm just getting into amateur radio and waiting for my  
tech license to arrive.

Welcome to the "club" Bill. I hope you have as much fun with amateur  
radio as I've had. The wait may be long, but it is worthwhile.

I'm debating whether to start  
out with a single-band (2M) HT or break the bank and

go twin-band (2M and 70 cm).

In my opinion, you're better off starting out on 2m and getting to know some of the locals before making the decision to go with 70cm (or any other band). There's a lot to hear and do on 2m. Lots of fine people to meet, lots of community service things you can help with, lots of discussion to learn from and (this is significant) lots of good second hand equipment to borrow/buy/trade.

<stuff deleted>

Otherwise,  
I'll be hopping aboard 2M on the cheap while Rat  
Shack and others have "realistic" prices on their HTs.

The HTX-202 is a great value Bill. I own two HTs, an HTX-202 and a fine icom dual bander. The HTX-202 goes everywhere with me. The icom gets used when I need 70cm access or when I want to listen out of band. I know several people that own HTX-202s and they all like them a lot. The HTX-202 is made with a very narrow front end that rejects out of band signals. -ALL- other contemporary radios that I'm aware of have a broad coverage receiver that allows out-of-band reception. They can be used as low performance scanners, but that capability comes at the expense of susceptibility to interference from out of band signals (high power paging transmitters, for example). The HTX-202 is also a lot more rugged than the icom. I bought the Tandy Service Plan (TSP) for the radio just in case I get too casual with it though. Icom doesn't offer one and I've spent over \$100 in repairs that the Shack would have covered.

Thanks, and all the best. --Bill Ruth, Oberlin, Ohio  
pruth@ocvaxa.cc.oberlin.edu

You're welcome Bill. Glad to meet you and glad to help.

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newsxfer.itd.umich.edu!news1.oakland.edu!vela.acs.oakland.edu!  
prvalko@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: 73cm Simplex  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hmmm... I could have sworn that the Repeater Directory Lists the bandplans and suggested simplex freqs for all bands.

The "calling" freq on 440 is 446.60 simplex.

If I remember right, generally accepted simplex freqs are spaced 25 KHz apart starting at 446.00.

And of course ending by 447.00!

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Date: Fri, 2 Sep 1994 11:04:08 GMT  
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!gatech!newsfeed.pitt.edu!gvls1!ean@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Amateur Radio Newsline?  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Have not received the "Amateur Radio Newsline" for a couple of weeks at this site. Is it still being posted?

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Date: Fri, 2 Sep 1994 13:22:45 GMT  
From: netcomsv!netcom.com!ab5sm@decwrl.dec.com  
Subject: JVFAX  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Sean Lange (seanl@harlequin.co.uk) wrote:

: Hi peeps  
: I'm looking for JVFAX (the fax/sstv prog) and understand it's now up  
: to v7.0. Can anyone point me to an ftp site. TIA  
: - sean

it is available from the Ham Distribution Net FTP site:

ftp.iea.com /pub/borg/hdn

lee - ab5sm

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cs.utk.edu!stc06.CTD.ORNL.GOV!xdepc.eng.ornl.gov!wyn@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Maritime CW Usage  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <3458vu\$r3j@taco.cc.ncsu.edu> rdkeys@csemail.cropsci.ncsu.edu  
(R. D. Keys) writes:

{Report on commercial CW survey in the HF bands, omitted to save space}

>Anyway, for it tiny time/slice of history, it does show that there  
>is significant CW usage still, in the modern radio world in the  
>general maritime picture of things. Amateurs have it easy, since  
>they can get along now with a no-code license on VHF. But it is  
>still of some interest to note that among the commercial operators,  
>you don't even begin to be proficient at this game until you can  
>run a comfortable 20wpm, and beyond. How many hams out there can  
>muster 20wpm, reliably.....

Well, I guess that explodes another myth. Too bad Al is not around  
to enjoy this with his "no more commercial CW" theme. :-)

73,  
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= Cooperation requires participation. Competition teaches cooperation. =  
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Date: 3 Sep 94 08:44:00 GMT  
From: news-mail-gateway@ucsd.edu  
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To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Attention all AMSAT members:

Ray Hoad, WA5QGD, will be trying a new way to transmit ALL the weekly keps as a SINGLE file, attached to a message, through the Dallas Remote Imaging Group, out to Internet, and to Compuserve for those folks without a gateway or UUCP capability for Internet.

Files sent through the Internet can be attached to a text message, but must be 'decoded' with a utility called UUDECODE.COM.

I have uploaded to Compuserve (HAMNET-Amateur Sats) the program UUDECODE.ZIP, which contains uudecode.com and uudecode.doc.

Do the following from Compuserve.

1. Download the program uudecode.zip
2. SAVE this messages as a DOS file (i.e. drigtest.txt)
3. You will notice a funny attachement at the end of this message, which is an actual file that has been uuencoded and attached to this message for transmission through the net.
4. run the program as follows:

uudecode.com filename.ext (if filename was drigtest.txt)

then:

uudecode.com drigtest.txt

5. You will see the actual file (bullet71) parsed out and stored in the same hard disk subdiretory as the uudecode.com program.

Ray Hoad will probably send a ZIP file, attached to the weekly keps message, containing ALL of the keps in a SINGLE message!

run the uudecode program, and if it is a zipped file, run



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